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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

JOURDAN et al

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For: DEFERRAL OF DEPENDENT  
LOADS UNTIL AFTER EXECUTION  
OF COLLIDING STORES

Examiner: Not assigned

Art Unit: Not assigned

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows. A clean copy of the claims, as required by rule, are provided in the attached Appendix.

23. The dependency management method of claim 4522, wherein the identifier represents a location in the scheduler where the STD uop is stored.

24. The dependency management method of claim 4522, wherein the identifier represents a location in a store unit where data responsive to the STD uop is stored.